

upon payment of registration fee. Nurses who shall show to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners that they are graduates of training schools connected with a general hospital or sanitarium giving two years' training or prior to the year 1897 having given one year's training and who maintain in other respects proper standards and are engaged in professional nursing on March 25, 1904, or have been engaged in nursing five years after graduation, prior to March 25, 1904, also those who are in training on March 25, 1904, and shall graduate hereafter, and possess the above qualifications, shall be entitled to registration without examination, provided such application be made before June 1, 1906. Graduates of Training Schools in connection with special hospitals, giving a two years' course, who shall obtain one year's additional training in an approved general hospital, shall be eligible for registration without examination before June 1, 1906; or said graduates shall be eligible for registration prior to said date upon passing a special examination before the Board of Examiners in subjects not adequately taught in the training schools from which they have been graduated.

And it shall be unlawful after June 1, 1906, for any person to practice professional nursing as a "Registered Nurse," without a certificate from said State Board of Examiners and that it shall be unlawful after June 1, 1917, for any person to practice professional nursing as a graduate, certified or registered nurse without a certificate from said State Board of Examiners. A nurse who has received his or her certificate according to the provisions of this sub-title shall be styled and known as a "Registered Nurse." No other persons shall assume such title or use the abbreviation R. N., or any other letters or figures to indicate that he or she is a graduate, certified or registered nurse.\*

1916, ch. 527, sec. 5A.

**205A.** Said Board of Examiners shall have the power, in the exercise of its sound discretion, to issue a certificate of registration, without examination, to any applicant who has been duly registered as a registered nurse under the laws of another State; provided said Board of Examiners shall determine that such applicant possesses qualifications which are the equivalent to those required under Section 204; and provided further that such applicant shall file a written application for registration and pay the registration fee provided for by Section 203; and that until June 1, 1917, said Board of Examiners may issue certificates of registration, without examination, to those nurses, who, on April 18, 1916, are registered in other States and engaged in nursing in Maryland, upon written application and the payment of the registration fee hereinbefore provided; provided such applicants shall, in

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\*Where the date of "the passage of this act" is referred to in section 5 of the act of 1916, chapter 527, the date of the passage of the act of 1904, chapter 241, is probably meant and it is so treated in codifying; those interested, however, should examine the question for themselves